

**ORDINANCE NO. 20070726-078**

**AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NAME OF TOWN LAKE TO LADY BIRD LAKE AND WAIVING THE REQUIREMENTS OF CHAPTER 14-1 OF THE CITY CODE FOR THE NAMING OF A CITY FACILITY.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:**

**PART 1.** The Council finds that

- (A) Claudia Alta Taylor was born in Karnack, Texas in 1912
- (B) As a child Claudia Alta Taylor was given the nickname "Lady Bird"
- (C) Lady Bird Taylor entered the University of Texas in 1930 and received a bachelor of arts degree in 1933 and a journalism degree in 1934
- (D) In 1934 Lady Bird Taylor met and married Congressman Lyndon Baines Johnson
- (E) In 1962, Lady Bird Johnson became First Lady when Lyndon Baines Johnson assumed the Presidency
- (F) The Highway Beautification Act of 1965 was a direct result of Lady Bird Johnson's national campaign to beautify America's highway system
- (G) In 1971 Lady Bird Johnson chaired the Town Lake Beautification Project, a community effort to create a hike and bike trail and plant flowering trees on the banks of the Colorado River
- (H) On her 70th birthday in 1982 Lady Bird Johnson founded the National Wildflower Research Center, which was renamed in 1998 to the "Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center" in her honor
- (I) Lady Bird Johnson personified Austin's love of the outdoors as witnessed by her life-long devotion to the environment and as exemplified by her commitment to the Wildflower Center and to Town Lake

**PART 2.** Town Lake is renamed "Lady Bird Lake"

**PART 3.** The Council waives applicable requirements of Chapter 14-1 of the City Code related to renaming Town Lake to "Lady Bird Lake" "Lady Bird Lake" may also be referred to as "Town Lake", and all references to "Town Lake" in the City Code, ordinances, resolutions, and other documents are still valid

**PART 4.** This ordinance takes effect on August 6, 2007

**PASSED AND APPROVED**

\_\_\_\_\_ July 26 \_\_\_\_\_, 2007      §  
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   Will Wynn  
   Mayor

**APPROVED:** \_\_\_\_\_  
   David Allan Smith  
   City Attorney

**ATTEST:** \_\_\_\_\_  
   Shirley A Gentry  
   City Clerk